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Burbank is in the midst of historic challenges and opportunities. We must adopt new strategies to energize and renew our city's economy. Our Police Department is evolving into a more effective organization delivering excellent safety services while incorporating meaningful citizen oversight. Finding the best city manager replacement is a top priority. Decisions about important new retail and airport development while preserving our renowned city services will be critical. We must apply common sense to carefully balance the hard budgetary choices ahead. Tax dollar giveaways and abandoning neighborhood protections are simply not acceptable. Openness and accountability must be the minimum standard.

Meanwhile, we must not allow experimental zoning changes to jeopardize the family oriented character of our residential neighborhoods or disrupt and congest traffic flow with misplaced bike lanes. Intentionally under-parking new projects to increase developer profits creates unnecessary future parking problems.

It has been a privilege and honor representing the people of Burbank. Drawing on my Council experience, I welcome the challenges and tough decisions that lie ahead, and will steadfastly protect Burbank's quality of life. I have never wavered from my pledge to always put the people first and again ask for your vote.

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